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PATENT APPLICATION  
OUR FILE NO. 20030322.ORI  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

App : Edward Draper : December 30, 2003  
S.N. : 10/675,855 : Art Unit 3738  
Filed : September 25, 2003  
For : BONE FIXATED, ARTICULATED JOINT  
LOAD CONTROL DEVICE

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LETTER

Mail Stop Missing Parts  
Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated December 23, 2003 (copy attached), in the above-captioned application.

Submitted herewith please find an executed Supplemental Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition, as well as a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the surcharge for a large entity for the late filing of the Declaration.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or refund any overpayment under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 08-1265.

Respectfully submitted,  
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that the foregoing Letter in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated December 23, 2003, a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts, a Supplemental Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition and a check in the amount of \$130.00 in application Serial No. 10/675,855, filed on September 25, 2003, of Edward Draper, entitled "BONE FIXATED, ARTICULATED JOINT LOAD CONTROL DEVICE", are being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as First Class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, postage prepaid, on December 30, 2003.

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Date of Signature: December 30, 2003